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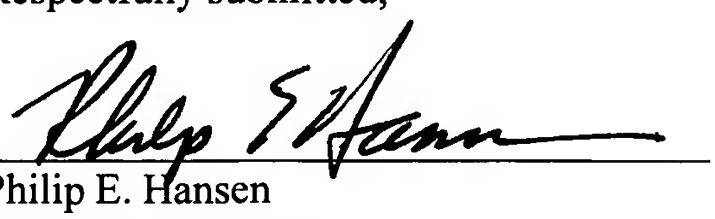
REPONSE TO REQUIREMENT TO ELECT SPECIES

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2005, which set a one-month period for response; response is due July 27, 2005. This response, therefore, is timely filed.

The action requires an election of species. Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the species in which the disease is gastroesophageal reflux disease. The species is read upon by claims 1, 3 and 7-15. Claim 1 is generic.

Respectfully submitted,



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